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The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) routinely matches recipient and applicant data with other public and private agencies through computer data exchanges. Information provided with MDHHS/MDE applications (DHS-1010, -1171, -4574, -4574B, 4583 and DCH-373) informs clients of the data exchange process.

Data exchanges assist in the verification of income, assets and other eligibility factors for MDHHS recipients and applicants.

Data exchange information must be reconciled with information contained in MDHHS case records.

DEFINITIONS

BENDEX is the Beneficiary Data Exchange system which is used to exchange information with SSA on recipients of RSDI and Medicare benefits.

MDOC is the Michigan Department of Corrections.

MDE is the Michigan Department of Education.

eDRS is the Federal Electronic Disqualified Recipient System.

IRS is the Internal Revenue Service.

NDNH is the National Directory of New Hires which is used to receive out of state new hire information.

RSDI is Retirement, Survivors, Disability Insurance, commonly referred to as Social Security benefits.

SDX is the State Data Exchange system which is used to receive information from SSA on applicants and recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

Social Security Account Number (SSN) is the number shown on a person's social security card.

Social Security Claim Number is the account number under which a person can receive RSDI and/or Medicare benefits. The

claim number might be the person's own account number or that of someone else (such as, spouse, parent).

SSA is the Social Security Administration.

SSI is Supplemental Security Income.

UCB is unemployment compensation benefits.

UIA is the Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency.

DATA EXCHANGES

Family Independence Program (FIP), State Disability Assistance (SDA), Child Development and Care (CDC), Medicaid (MA) and Food Assistance Program (FAP)

Data is currently exchanged with:

- Social Security Administration (SSA).
- Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency (UIA).
- Michigan New Hire Operations Center.
- Internal Revenue Services (IRS).
- Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC).
- Michigan Department of Education (MDE).
- Michigan Lottery.
- Michigan State Police.
- National Directory of New Hires (NDNH).

SSA Data Exchanges

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Data exchanges from SSA include:

- BENDEX (Beneficiary Data Exchange System).

This process reports information on recipients of RSDI and Medicare benefits.

- SDX (State Data Exchange).

This system reports information on applicants and recipients of SSI.

- Enumeration Verification System.

This process matches SSNs entered on Bridges with SSNs on SSA records.

- Deceased Recipient Match.

This match compares active recipient SSNs to SSA's death records.

- Prisoner Match

This match identifies pending and active clients in prison or jail.

UIA Data Exchanges

FIP, SDA, CDC, MA and FAP

Data exchanges from UIA include:

- Wage Match.

This process cross-matches MDHHS recipient data with work history records submitted by Michigan employers.

- Unemployment Compensation.

This process cross matches MDHHS recipient data with unemployment insurance compensation recipient data.

State New Hire Exchange

FIP, SDA, CDC, MA and FAP

The only data exchange with the Michigan New Hire Operations Center is New Hires. This process cross matches active MDHHS recipients with the New Hire database which is from W-4 tax records or other new hire reporting formats submitted by employers for new employees.

IRS Data Exchange

FIP, MA, and FAP

Data exchanges from IRS include:

- IRS Unearned Income Match.

This process cross matches unearned income data from MDHHS applicant's and recipient's with unearned income reported to IRS.

- IRS Wage and Pension Match.

This process cross matches income data from MDHHS applicants and recipients with certain income reported to IRS.

Department of Corrections Data Exchange

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The only data exchange with the Department of Corrections is the automated monthly Incarceration Match. This match identifies all individuals who are active for any program whose current living arrangement is not prison.

Department of Education Data Exchange

FAP Only

The only data exchange with the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is the School Lunch Program. This process provides MDE with a list of school-age children receiving FAP. This allows students to be certified for free lunches without requiring the student or parent to complete an application.

Students may complete an application form at the local school if they believe they meet the low income requirements and either do not receive FAP or, if they receive FAP, did not appear on the MDHHS match that was distributed to that school district.

Local school districts are required to verify eligibility for a certain percentage of applications for the school lunch program. The verification sampling is for paper applications only, as no further verification is needed from the names provided by the MDHHS. If a FAP recipient's name is on a segment of the MDHHS information that was sent by the MDE to a different school district, the local school district may contact the local office for verification of a school lunch applicant's receipt of FAP. Local offices must cooperate in providing this verification to the local school districts.

eDRS Exchange**FAP Only**

The eDRS is an exchange with the Federal Electronic Disqualified Recipient Service for all clients who are applying for FAP or are being added to a FAP case as a new member. This match assists in the identification of potential recipients who may have an intentional program violation in another state.

Lottery Match Data Exchange**FIP, SDA, MA and FAP**

The only data exchange with Michigan Lottery is the Lottery Match. This match identifies clients who won \$1,000 or more in the previous week.

National Directory of New Hires Exchange**FAP Only**

The NDNH is an exchange with the National Directory of New Hires and is required for all FAP recipients and applicants at application and recertification. This match is used to determine current income sources reported from another state.

Data Exchange Reconciliation**FIP, SDA, CDC, MA, and FAP**

Information received from any computer data exchange must be reviewed and compared with the recipient's MDHHS record. Any discrepancies must be clarified.

The standard of promptness for resolving information received from most computer matches is 45 calendar days.

Exception:

- It is a best practice to resolve information received from new hires within 21 calendar days.

- The standard of promptness for resolving information received from the SSA Prisoner match is 12 calendar days.
- It is a best practice to send an email to the recoupment specialist as soon as possible to allow the other state to verify the IPV before the standard of promptness to open the case.

Procedures for processing each data exchange vary depending on the information received and the particular data exchange process involved.

Refer to the appropriate item:

- BAM 801, SSA Data Exchanges:
 - BENDEX.
 - SDX.
 - Enumeration.
- BAM 802, Wage Match and UCB:
 - Wage Match.
 - Unemployment Compensation Match.
- BAM 803, IRS Data Exchanges:
 - IRS Unearned Income.
 - IRS Wage and Pension.
- BAM 804, Incarceration Match.
- BAM 807, State New Hires.
- BAM 808, Deceased Recipient Match.
- BAM 809, Lottery Matches.
- BAM 812, Electronic Disqualification Recipient System.
- BAM 813, National Directory New Hires Match.

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MCL 400.10c

FIP

45 CFR 205.56 -.58
MCL 400.57a(3)
MCL 400.83

MA

MCL 400.10, .83

SDA

Annual Appropriations Act
Michigan Administrative Code; R 400.3151-400.3180

FAP

7 CFR 272
7 CFR 273.2 7
CFR 273.8
7 CFR 273.12
7 CFR 273.16(i)(1),(2),(4)

CDC

Child Care and Development Block Grant of 1990, as amended,
Public Act 6 of 2014
45 CFR Parts 98 and 99
Social Security Act, as amended
Mich Admin Code R 400.5001 - 400.5020